# BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES March 24, 2003

**PRESENT:** THOMAS C. REYNOLDS JR, CHAIRMAN; DOUGLAS R. COOK, Co CHAIRMAN, BRIAN MCDONALD, SELECTMAN; LEON G. METHOT, SELECTMAN; LAURA PETRAIN, SELECTMAN.

**GUEST:** Matt Pelletier, James Spadaro, Margo C. McLeod, Rodman Wilson, Frank Campana, Sherry Butt Dunham, Forrest Esenwine, Ginger Esenwine, Carl Knapp, Craig Nichols, Keith Pierce, Steve Richardson.

The Selectmen's Meeting was held at the Town Office Building. Chairman Reynolds commenced the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman Reynolds asked that everyone stand for the pledge of allegiance.

Selectman McDonald requested a moment of silence in respect of our Troops overseas.

### 1. PUBLIC PARTICIAPATION

Steve Richardson – Mr. Richardson addressed the Board as Chairman of Benefit Review Committee. Stated he would like to discuss the personnel policy. Stated that in October 2002 they held their first meeting. Stated that at that time they were given the personnel policy and instructed to review and make changes where deemed appropriate. Went on to state that in December 2002, the committee was informed that town council wanted to review personnel policy. Stated that when they were formed, they were told how important it was to get the personnel policy looked at and reviewed. Stated that he believes it was the end of February, beginning of March that the Town Council returned the policy. Mr. Richardson then stated that at that point Mr. Jonathan Wallace asked to take home and review the policy. Last week he saw that Mr. Wallace returned the personnel policy at the Board of

Selectmen meeting. Mr. Richardson then stated that he is trying to point out that this is the foundation of what they need as a committee to continue to move forward. Stated that the committee has a few questions for the Board of Selectmen. First, is the Benefit Review Committee going to receive the personnel policy? Chairman Reynolds responded that the attorney took existing policy and marked it up and now they are just waiting for it to be typed up. Mr. Richardson then asked the Board if it is possible to get a copy now, before it is typed up. to review? Chairman Reynolds stated he saw no reason why they could not request a copy now. Next, Mr. Richardson stated that they, as a committee are not clear as to who they should be contacting with issues. Chairman Reynolds responded by stating that they can start with their ex officio. Mr. Richardson then stated that he understands that there is a separate personnel policy for the police department and that the Selectmen adopted that as policy. Chairman Reynolds stated yes, that is correct. Mr. Richardson stated that they don't object to that, but stated that the police are employees also. Stated that the Benefit Review Board's function is to make recommendations on an annual basis to the Selectmen as to the competitiveness as to the town employees total benefit package including such items as wages, insurance benefits, sick, and vacation time, etc. Mr. Richardson asked why they were not given the opportunity to review the police department personnel policy? Selectman Cook responded that he does not think it is the duty of the Benefit Review Committee to be implementing personnel policies. Stated that the Committee's duties are exactly what Mr. Richardson had stated, which is to make recommendations on an annual basis. Stated that the Board reached out and tried to revamp the personnel policy, which they have been trying to do for some years. Due to some incidents that happened, the Stated that it was a personnel policy needed to be redone. recommendation by the attorney that the town implement a new policy. Stated that the previous one was outdated and tied the Boards hands in some matters. So they updated the policy and added such things as a computer policy. It took the Town Council a month or two to review. mark it up, and return it. Selectman Cook went on to state that he believes it's the duty of the Board of Selectmen to implement the town personnel policy or any other personnel policy such as the Police Department's. Mr. Richardson thanked Selectman Cook for his input and stated that he has brought a lot to light, however he feels it is

unfortunate that it took three months to understand this. Stated that the make up of the committee is all volunteers. Stated that the Mr. Richardson then committee only asks to have an open dialog. asked the Board how they, as a committee can make any decisions if they have no idea what is in the personnel policy. Went on to state that he does understand that there are differences between police and the rest of the town employees, but not great enough differences as to have two separate policies which otherwise can be created unfair and unequal treatment. Stated he feels they should be doing things that are fair and equal. Stated he does not have a problem with what is happening here, but they as volunteers have a lot better things to do than take the time to address issues that they may not be responsible for, however they remain committed to the town. Requested the Board be more conscience when it comes to communication. McDonald stated that he thinks that the policy as it stands right now will be an excellent learning tool for the Benefit Review Committee. Also stated that the delay was necessary. Mr. Richardson stated he would like to have a conversation on how the Board would like to them proceed going forward so as the volunteer's time is not wasted. Selectman Cook stated disagreement with Mr. Richardson's statement regarding fair and equal treatment. Stated that there definitely has to be some differences between town employees, police personnel, and fire personnel. So to have one policy that blankets all, does not work and believes that going with separate policies was the correct way to go.

<u>Rodman Wilson</u> – Mr. Wilson stated that he would like to bring up an issue regarding the meeting last week with regards to the Selectmen having to go to other Selectmen to get information. Stated that Selectman Petrain brought up the questions as to if the Selectmen need to go through the appropriate department supervisor when information regarding a particular department is needed. Stated that no one Selectman is above another Selectman and should not have to go through another Selectman to receive information. Selectman McDonald stated since he made the motion, he will respond. Stated that Mr. Wilson is absolutely right that they have no right to shut another Selectman out, but as we are hearing over and over again, communication is very important in the town. Selectman McDonald went on to state that he, as a Selectman wants to know what is going on in the town and this was simply a way to make sure all Selectmen

have the same information. Mr. Wilson stated that he wants to make it clear that any one Selectman is going to be allowed to represent the whole town as a whole body. Stated that he has spoken to several people in town and they feel the same as him. Selectman McDonald stated that Mr. Wilson is the first person he has heard this from. Chairman Reynolds stated that he has heard it from a few people also, and would like to discuss it further under old business. Mr. Wilson stated that is why we elect you people, to represent the town.

Frank Campana - Mr. Campana asked the Board if himself, as an ordinary citizen, has a question for a particular department, has to go through a Selectmen? Board answered, no. Mr. Campana then stated it makes absolutely makes no sense to expect that of any Selectman. Selectman McDonald, responded by stating that it is very simple idea to improve communication. If something is to be brought before the Board, he wants entire Board to know about it beforehand rather than one Selectman knowing and trying to bring the rest of the Board up to speed at the last minute. Mr. Campana stated that he appreciates what Selectman McDonald is saying, but thinks it is a step too far. Selectman Cook then questioned Mr. Campana as to whether he deserves an eight hour day out of his town employees? Mr. Campana stated that yes, if it is a full time employee. Selectman Cook then explained that the Board is attempting to streamline communication by receiving information from the department liaison, rather than having the entire Board bombarding one particular individual for the same information. Stated there are no ulterior motives, they are not trying to shut down anyone. Mr. Campana stated that it was accepted as a motion and feels the Board of Selectmen should have the same flexability in obtaining information as a private citizen.

Jim Spadaro – Mr. Spadaro introduced himself as the Principal of the middle school and thanked the Board in advance for all their hard work. Stated that students and staff are planning a lunch for Fire, Police, and Rescue people of the Town on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. to thank them for all their work. Went on to state that in past the school has had a very good relationship with the Town and will see to it that it remains the same going forward. Requested that in the event of an emergency and the students need to be evacuated, if needed, could they cross the street and use the town office building parking lot in attempts

to get the children away from the school? Board all agreed that there was absolutely no problem with this. Mr. Spadaro then stated that one of the things that has really helped the middle school is the positive relationship with the Police Department.

<u>Sherry Butt Dunham</u> – Ms. Butt Dunham apologized to the Board of Selectmen for stomping out of the meeting last week and also thanked them for reconsidering the motion.

<u>Margo McLeod</u> – Ms. McLeod asked the Board for permission to go to New Boston and correct issue with town line. Board stated they have no problem with request.

### 2. NONPUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Reynolds made motion to enter into nonpublic session at 7:10 p.m. pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) and (c). Seconded by Selectman McDonald. A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes. Motion was passed unanimously.

Chairman Reynolds made motion to come out of nonpublic session at 7:20 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Methot. A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes. Motion was passed unanimously.

Chairman Reynolds made a motion accept resignation of Ray Stankunas as Administrative Coordinator. Seconded by Selectman Methot. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. LAWNCARE CONTRACT

Discussion with Keith Pierce. Board discussed the Fire Department property with Mr. Pierce. Selectman Cook requested a cost for hourly labor from Mr. Pierce. Mr. Pierce stated that if it is charged by the hour, \$30.00 per hour. Mr. Pierce stated he does not yet know how much land is involved. Mr. Pierce asked the Board how many cisterns. Chairman Reynolds indicated that there are 10 cisterns and the three

stations. Mr. Pierce agreed to \$500.00. Another issue that needed to be addressed was the fact that the contract indicated \$1,000.00 for the Three Friends Cemeteries, and there is only \$500.00 currently in that fund. Selectman McDonald suggested that if agreeable with Mr. Pierce, the cemeteries be done for \$500.00, and the Fire Stations and cisterns at a cost of \$1,000.00. Mr. Pierce agreed to this amount. Selectman McDonald made motion to hire Mr. Keith Pierce for the lawn care of the Fire Stations and fire cisterns in the amount of \$1,000.00. Seconded by Selectman Methot. A vote taken. Motion passed 4 in favor, 1 abstention.

### 4. ASSESSING

Selectman McDonald indicated that he has met with Mr. Craig Nichols a couple of times since Mr. Nichols resigned from his position as Assessor for the Town of Weare. Selectman McDonald stated that he has been trying to determine if it is possible to out-source the duties of the Assessor. Mr. Nichols provided the Board with information as to cost of full time Assessor, as opposed to out-sourcing. Mr. Nichols stated that he tried to come up with realistic number as to how much time this job takes per year. Stated that he feels it is about 65 to 70 days per year. Also stated that this does not include statistical updates. Mr. Nichols also stated that accepting these duties is subject to not accepting full time position elsewhere. Selectman Petrain questioned Mr. Nichols if out-sourcing is going to increase the work in the Assessor Office for the secretarial staff. Mr. Nichols responded that he did not see it increasing the workload in the office, and stated that he would still be performing all assessor duties. Mr. Nichols also discussed with the Board a future need for an independent company to perform internal inspections which will be needed about every ten years. Selectman Cook asked Mr. Nichols how much these inspections will cost? Mr. Nichols responded that it will cost around \$30.00 to \$35.00 per parcel. Selectman Petrain asked if there was a contract Mr. Nichols indicated that he put the that can be looked over? information given together for this meeting, but has not had a chance to draw up anything official. Selectman Cook asked Mr. Nichols if he was looking for a contract with the Town? Mr. Nichols stated that he would be looking for some kind of commitment from the Town on a yearly basis. Selectman Cook then asked Mr. Nichols about gravel pits.

Mr. Nichols stated that it is not something he thought about when preparing the information, but would also be something he would take care of. Selectman McDonald took a consensus of the Board to determine if the Board was in favor of out-sourcing the Town Assessor duties. Board agreed that they are in favor of Mr. Nichols, Selectman Cook stated with the exception of the one year contract. Stated he would feel more comfortable on a monthly basis. Mr. Nichols stated that at first it will be on a trial basis until they see what exactly is needed as far as hours. Went on to state that after that, he would look for a yearly commitment. Selectman Petrain stated that if a contract was drawn up she would like it to include a clause in the instance the work load did become too demanding for the Assessor Office. Estimation of hours needed for Assessing Agent provided by Mr. Nichols is entered into public record.

## 5. MS2 REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS APPOINTED

Board reviewed MS2 report. Selectman Methot made motion to accept MS2 report as printed. Seconded by Selectman McDonald. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Cook moved to authorize the Financial Administrator to merge the default numbers onto the budget. Seconded by Selectman McDonald. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

### 6. PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Carl Knapp provided Board with figures for two new public works vehicles. Requests that he be allowed to put out to bid and for the bid to be opened on April 14, 2003. Board was in agreement on the date. Bids presented by Mr. Knapp entered into public record.

Mr. Knapp then addressed the Board regarding the fact that they have come very close to running out of sand this year. Stated that there is a lot of material down there but it is very rocky. They have ended up with huge pile of rock. Requested checking with local pit owners to swap rock for sand. Board stated they have no problem with this. Carl stated he would check around and report back to Board.

Chairman Reynolds then asked Mr. Knapp if he will put the Town Hall sign back up. Selectman Cook stated that he does not know what the

condition the sign is in. Also, the signs welcoming you into town need to be touched up.

Selectman Methot made motion to authorize the bids for the new vehicles. Seconded by Selectman Petrain. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

### 7. OLD BUSINESS

## Insurance Buyout -

Selectman McDonald asked Chairman Reynolds if there is any word from the attorney regarding insurance buyout. Selectman Petrain requested a copy of the wording of the buyout. Stated that it is her understanding that the wording is pretty basic and brought up the fact that Mr. Knapp is currently paying out of pocket for his insurance. Asked if there is any reason why they can not move forward on this and release payment to Mr. Knapp. Chairman Reynolds agreed that they should move forward. Selectman McDonald made motion to pay Mr. Knapp his insurance payment. Seconded by Selectman Petrain. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

### Mt. William Inc. -

Selectman Methot stated that the Board of Selectman made an error last week. Stated they made a motion and seconded it allowing Mr. Chris Bolton to not go through the renewal process annually. Stated that according to the ordinance, on page 23, his permit expires every year. Stated he has to renew every year. Stated that all valid excavation permits issued by the town shall expire on December 31st of the year. Selectman McDonald stated he still feels he is not subject to the permit. Selectman Cook stated that he was under the understanding that they had changed date to reflect the assessing issue on April 1st. Selectman Methot suggested there may be conflicting language. Stated that he is meeting with Planning Board on Thursday, and will find an answer on this issue.

### Default Budget -

Selectman Methot stated that last week a citizen asked about the bonuses that were on the budget. Asked if it is or is not in the default budget? Selectman Cook stated that the one time bonuses came out of

the year end budget surplus. Board agreed that it is not on the current default budget.

## <u>Right to Know Request -</u>

Selectman Methot stated that there is a right to know request for the Police Chief's contract. Ms. Butt Dunham stated that she has received the copy she requested.

## Trustees of the Trust Funds -

Selectman Methot stated that he will hopefully be meeting with the Trustees of the Trust Funds this week. Stated he spoke with Ms. Pierson and believes he has some clarification regarding the confusion.

## Safety Complex -

Selectman Methot inquired about the safety complex. Asked if there is a contract for the complex? Chairman Reynolds informed Selectman Methot that there is a written letter of intent with contract management company. Selectman Cook stated management company will be in for the next meeting for discussion and quotes.

## Request for Proposal -

Selectman Methot stated that he feels it would be prudent to receive a RFP from the Town Council. Stated that he also feels a RFP should be submitted for an auditor.

## <u> Audit -</u>

Selectman Petrain stated that the DRA will also do an audit for the Town according to the information they have from NHMA. Stated that she is not sure of cost to the Town but feels it should be looked into.

# Computer Services -

Selectman Methot stated that the Board should also request a RFP from Mr. Jonathan Wallace and his representatives for future computer costs. In order to make it a clean situation between the Town and Mr. Wallace. Stated that he realizes that Mr. Wallace has dedicated an immense amount of time and effort on his own part. Selectman Cook stated that they are receiving a reduced cost due to the work being performed by residents of the Town. Selectman McDonald, stated that the work is done on a case by case basis, and when work

needs to be done, they address the Board with it and have a discussion regarding cost. Selectman Methot expressed concern that the public will want to know why all the work is being given to Mr. Wallace.

## <u>Transfer Station -</u>

Selectman Methot stated that he would like to bring up the subject of transfer station hours. Suggested possibly taking a day out of the week and adding a day on the weekend. Mr. Knapp stated there is a problem with commercial haulers because they are not allowed to deliver on the weekends. Selectman Methot stated he is looking at the convenience of the citizens, and it is just a thought, and worth looking into.

## <u>Selectmen's Meetings -</u>

Selectman Methot then addressed the fact that the Board meetings are every other Monday in summer. Suggested starting the meetings earlier on those days in order to address what needs to be addressed and still adjourn at a reasonable time.

## Audit -

Selectman Petrain stated that she will contact the DRA regarding auditing to see if it will be beneficial for the town.

# <u>Request for Copy -</u>

Selectman Petrain requested a copy of Police Chief's contract. Chairman Reynolds stated that Selectman Petrain can obtain a copy from the office.

## <u>Benefit Review -</u>

Selectman Petrain stated they need to make sure the Benefit Review Committee receives a copy of personnel policy.

## Gravel Ordinance -

Selectman Cook stated that he would like to change the gravel ordinance's dates to line it up to coinside with the assessing.

# Newspaper Articles -

Selectman Cook stated he would like to address some newspaper articles. Stated that an in Goffstown News regarding McDonald's

motion, he would like to clarify the fact that the police department does have a media relations person. Stated that the motion was an attempt to streamline information from town employees, not public Boards or elected officials. Also, Chairman Reynolds is not a new member. Stated he can take criticism that is correct, and has no problem being scrutinized. Stated the problem is misinformation. Also addressed article in Union Leader which stated Board of Selectmen took 35 citizens to court and court ruled against the town, forcing them to place article on the ballot. Selectmen Cook stated that the Board of Selectmen never said they wouldn't put it on the warrant, but asked the court what to do, they were not forced to do anything. Selectman Cook stated that the next article had to do with the new Weare Selectmen and a comment regarding Selectman Petrain stating that her resignation was in the wake of a dispute with Selectmen over her right to attend a nonpublic session in December.

Ms. Butt Dunham stated that Selectman Cook's procedure for addressing incorrect news reports is not the proper procedure. Stated that Selectman Cook does not like the truth. Asked Chairman Reynolds if he is going to put a stop to this. Chairman Reynolds stated regardless of his opinion, he has no control over what another Selectman brings up under old business. Ms. Butt Dunham stated that she has every right to sue the Board over them making statements that her work is inaccurate. Stated that he work is not inaccurate.

## Manifests -

Chairman Reynolds moved for the Board of Selectmen to sign manifest and order the treasurer to sign checks dated March 27, 2003 for a total of \$343,486.95 for Accounts Payable, \$24,430.64 for Gross Payrolls, for a grand total of \$367,917.59. Seconded by Selectman Petrain. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

## Meeting Minutes -

Chairman Reynolds stated there have been some problems with the meeting minutes. Stated that a statement given by Ms. Butt Dunham was not reflected in the public record. Selectman Petrain stated that in some incidences the minutes have not been detailed enough. Selectman Cook stated that in reading previous minutes that have been verbatim, they have been difficult to understand or find what is needed. Gave an example of January 6, 2003 minutes and requested

that the tapes be reviewed again and minutes be shortened or blanks filled in. Chairman Reynolds stated he will see that is done. Selectman Petrain suggested that the Board indicate what issues should be very detailed. Chairman Reynolds asked the Board if they are ready to approve February meeting minutes. Selectman Cook stated that February 3, 2003 changes need to be made to include correct titles (i.e. Mr., Mrs, ect.) Selectman Cook made motion to approve minutes for February 3, 2003 as amended. Seconded by Chairman Reynolds. A vote was taken. Motion passed 3 in favor, 2 abstentions (Selectman Petrain, Selectman Methot).

## Employee Life Insurance -

Chairman Reynolds stated he would like to go over life insurance. Board had discussion regarding life insurance. Chairman Reynolds made motion not to renew membership with NHMA. Selectman Petrain asked if the Department Heads had been asked for input regarding this. Seconded by Selectman McDonald. A vote was taken. Motion passed 4 in favor, 1 abstention. Chairman Reynolds then made motion to accept policy from Nalette Insurance Services for life insurance benefit of \$10,000.00 per employee, number of employees – 32, in an amount of \$118.40 per month. Seconded by Selectman McDonald. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

## <u>Motion Directory -</u>

Chairman Reynolds stated he would like to begin to keep a motion directory or action list again. Selectman Cook stated that once the Administrative Coordinator position is filled there should be no need for this. Also stated that in the past he did not find it to be beneficial due to many items never being removed. Chairman Reynolds stated he felt it would be a good idea and currently the Administrative Coordinator position remains open. Selectman Methot stated he believes having a motion directory would helpful. Selectman Cook stated he would like to go on record stating he is against it.

# Fire Department -

Chairman Reynolds made motion to approve \$225.00 amount for insurance deductible for new windshield for Fire Department to come out of Insurance Deductible PLIT line. Seconded by Selectman Methot. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously. Chairman Reynolds

made motion for \$1000 to paid from 2002 Insurance Deductible line for the Fire Department. Seconded by Selectman Methot. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

## Town Hall Lighting -

Chairman Reynolds addressed problem with exterior lights and emergency lighting being wired together. Selectman Methot stated that it concerns the Town Hall and apparently to conserve money, they shut off the exit lights and the battery went dead. Now they do not work at all. Stated that by code they should be on at all times. Stated that the issue needs to be addressed by an electrician. Selectman Cook requested a quote. Chairman Reynolds stated he would look into it.

### Cable Committee -

Chairman Reynolds stated he contacted the Cable Committee and requested a meeting. Chairman Reynolds announced to the public that the Cable Committee is looking for new members, anyone interested, please contact the office. Selectman Petrain asked if they would be discussing the e-mail sent to the Board from John Macausland. Chairman Reynolds said they would see who showed up and is interested in volunteering.

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

## Abby Drive -

Selectman Petrain addressed issue of Sharon Riley on Abby drive. Stated issue involves driveway culvert. Mr. Knapp stated he will go take a look at it. Board forward e-mail to Mr. Knapp.

#### Land Purchase -

Selectman Petrain then addressed letter from Richard and Michelle Sousa regarding land they would like to purchase from the town. Selectman Cook stated that the process needs to be explained to them. Chairman Reynolds stated he will notify office to contact them with information.

## Planning board Appointment -

Selectman McDonald made motion to appoint Paul Morin for 3 year term on the Planning Board. Seconded by Chairman Reynolds. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Computer Virus -

Selectman Cook addressed the Board regarding a bill for computer work that needed to be done to his business computer due to the town computer virus. Asked the Board if there is anyone who has a problem or questions regarding this bill. Board felt bill was an appropriate expense.

### 9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jonathan Wallace - Mr. Wallace stated he would like to address newspaper article issue. Stated he has absolutely no criticism of Ms. Butt Dunham, but stated he does disagree with some of the comments that have been made in the past by various newspapers. Stated he understands the Boards frustration with inaccuracies and does believe there have been times where the papers have gone too far. Mr. Wallace then stated that he believes the Board was very good to it's town Stated that they approved raises on a default budget. employees. Stated they gave on-call bonuses for the highway department, and also Christmas bonuses. Mr. Wallace then stated he would like to address earlier comments made by Selectman Methot. Requested Selectman Methot's full attention and stated that he is insulted by his words. Stated that Selectman Methot said that everything is being given to Jonathan Wallace, and when it comes to computers, the town has given nothing to him and he has given everything to this town. Stated that Selectman Methot was very patronizing and that Selectman Methot's real point is that one of his political cronies out there does not like the fact that Mr. Wallace is going to have anything to do with this town. Mr. Wallace went on to state that Selectman Methot can never take away what he has given to this town. Politics in this town is no longer what is was back in 1999, or even in 2000 when Mr. Hatch in no way could allow a web site to be in this town. Mr. Wallace stated that the only reason he ran for a seat on the Board of Selectmen was because there was a man standing in the way of technology and progress. Stated that this town wouldn't have e-mail if it was not for him, the town wouldn't have a web site if it was not for him, you wouldn't have

your wireless network to look up laws if it was not for him, you wouldn't have anything here if it was not for him. Mr. Wallace went on to state that for five years he has taken care of the town's technological needs. Mr. Wallace guestioned Selectman Methot as to how many calls he has received demanding to be allowed to offer technological services for nothing? Selectman Methot responded that he has not received any vet. Mr. Wallace then asked if he does, will they need to go out to bid for free services? Mr. Wallace then stated that it seems ridiculous to him that Selectman Methot would sit there and suggest that if someone else wanted to provide free services like he has, that he would be taking that from them or they would somehow have to go out to bid for free services. Mr. Wallace then stated that this is political in nature. Stated that the first time he sends a bill for his services Selectman Methot can then request a RFP or a bid process. Stated he has never billed the town for anything. Stated that he has eighteen years in the computer industry and does not deserve this treatment. Mr. Wallace concluded by stating that if Selectman Methot is looking to spend a fortune of technology services, he is almost there.

Ms. Sherry Butt Dunham requested a nonpublic session with the Board of Selectman under (e).

<u>Forrest Esenwine</u> – Mr. Esenwine stated that a couple of people have stated to him that when they tune into the local channel they do not know what is going on. Suggested that the Board find some way to help the public distinguish what meeting is going on.

### 10. NONPUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Reynolds made motion to enter into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (c). Seconded by Selectman McDonald. A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – no. Motion was passed 4 in favor, 1 opposed.

In Attendance: Chairman Reynolds, Selectman McDonald, Selectman Methot, Selectman Petrain, Selectman Cook, Sherry Butt Dunaham, Kelly Bumpus.

Chairman Reynolds made motion to come out of nonpublic session. Seconded by Selectman Petrain. A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes. Motion was passed unanimously.

Selectman Petrain made motion to seal and restrict nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 III. Seconded by Chairman Reynolds. A roll call vote was taken Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes. Motion was passed unanimously.

### 11. NONPUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Reynolds made motion to go into nonpublic session at 10:35 p.m. pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) and (c). A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes. Motion was passed unanimously.

Chairman Reynolds made motion to come out of nonpublic session. Seconded by Selectman Petrain. A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes. Motion was passed unanimously.

Selectman Methot moved to seal and restrict the minutes of the nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 III. A roll call vote was taken. Selectman McDonald – yes; Selectman Methot – yes; Chairman Reynolds – yes; Selectman Petrain – yes; Selectman Cook – yes Motion was passed unanimously.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

Selectman Methot made motion to adjourn at 11:00 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Reynolds. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

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Kelly Bumpus, Recording Secretary